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THE "INZENJER JAROSLAV CERNI" HYDROTECHNICAL INSTITUTE IN YUGOSLAVIA

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The "Inzenjer Jaroslav Cerni" Hydrotechnical Institute (Hidrotehnicki institut "Inz. Jaroslav Cerni") of the Serbian Academy of Science will begin operation in March 1953. This institute will be a merger of the former Hydrotechnical Institute of the Serbian Academy of Science (Hidrotehnicki institut Srpske Akademije Nauka) and the "Inzenjer Jaroslav Cerni" Hydroelectric Power Bureau (Hidroenergetski zavod "Inz. Jaroslav Cerni"), which was named after the deceased Eng Jaroslav Cerni.

The newly established institute will not monopolize research in hydrotechnology, but will serve as a center for such research and will aid specialists in developing such research. The institute will subsidize scientific research, collect scientific material, and publish works of members and nonmembers of the institute. Works of nonmembers must be accepted for publication by the Scientific Council of the institute.

The following sections will be organized in the institute:

1. The Hydraulic Engineering Section will do research in hydrotechnology, testing the operation of hydroelectric power plants or models for such plants, and testing pumping stations, canals, and hydraulic equipment.
2. The Section for Water Power and Hydroelectric Power Studies will work out research methods and will study Yugoslav watercourses. The study of water power, alluviums, flood forecasting, etc., will be the function of this section.
3. The Section for Hydrotechnical Structures will engage in research on the composition of retaining walls, including levees, dams, and tunnels. The section will study all types of hydrotechnical structures, models of dams, etc., to develop effectiveness in the construction and safety of such structures.

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The institute has organized a document center, which already has a large collection of books and periodicals on all aspects of hydrotechnology. The center publishes a monthly bulletin entitled Hidrotehnicka bibliografija (Hydrotechnical Bibliography), which lists the most current literature on the subject in Yugoslavia and abroad.

The institute will be organized on a completely democratic basis. The work collective of the institute will elect five of the seven members of the institute's Administrative Council. The institute's Scientific Council, selected from renowned specialists in hydrotechnology, will be responsible for the scientific direction of the institute. The institute will be financed mostly through services rendered to the economy.

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